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Seminar Location

Thursday, 3 April

SDIO, MATOMIC Building, 1717 H St., NW, Washington, DC

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Friday, 4 April

Room 532, Chamber of Commerce Building

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6-12 April

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Monday-Tuesday, 14-15 April

Room 536, Chamber of Commerce Building

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The second running of this Seminar stresses the Strategic Defense Initiative (SDI). The Seminar provides an opportunity for experienced S&T analysts to learn about rapidly advancing technologies associated with the SDI program, and which ones are likely to affect a country's defensive leadership and/or strategic weapon systems capability. It is an off-the-record seminar so that the participants can freely discuss the problems of developing and controlling this technology.

Course Objectives

Through a series of lectures and visits to R&D facilities, the participants will:

- learn about the long lead-time between discovery and application of a technological innovation;
- understand the unique characteristics of the selected rapidly advancing technologies and their effect on the advancement of a country's defensive and/or weapon systems capability;
- hear about the trends and forecasts for some of the SDI technologies over the next decade or two;
- hear scientists from industry, academia and the Government reveal what is important about a specific SDI-related technology, its forecast, and which key components need to be export-controlled;
- observe at R&D and industrial facilities the development and/or application of SDI-related technologies;
- hear about the possible dependency of the Strategic Defense Initiative program on some rapidly advancing technologies;
- delve into how an SDI technology may be developed and/or applied in a foreign country;
- understand how to better assess a foreign country's capabilities in selected SDI technologies;
- know the status of some SDI-related technologies where a foreign country may or soon could be in a leadership position.

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